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BUSINESS IS GETTING BETTER

Men whose occupation it is to keep their fingers on the pulse of national conditions report with a great deal of confidence that the outlook for business is better than they had expected to find it at this time. There was a belief at the turn of the year that it might be mid-summer before industrial condi- most people would think it a camtions got back to normal. Now there is a general feeling that paign move on the part of Henry it will not be much after Easter before the slack has been taken | Gill, Chestertown's most famous up. Definite predictions with a time-limit are always doubtful, but the fact that intelligent investigators believe that the worst is over is of great significance and interest.

One of the most reliable indexes of business confidence is the volume of national advertising. Six of the largest advertising agencies recently reported that not only had there been no cancellations among their advertising clients, but that many the votes go in as did the three I of them had increased their advertising appropriations by from have had the fortune to see the poll

There are several reasons why what looked in November To avoid all complications and 10 to 15 percent. like the beginning of a business depression did not develop as let it be visible wagers as to how I voted such things have done in the past. One was, of course, that the a ballot.) sudden slump in stock values did not reflect any business or industrial condition but was the natural reaction from a specula- him mark his ballot, was a standtive boom in which stocks were sold at from twenty to forty or patter. He voted to retain things fifty times their net earnings. Another was that there was no just as they are. Another, number great mass of "frozen assets" on the shelves of merchants and two, liked a modification plan. He

manufacturers. With the improvements in transportation facilities which beers. have been made since the Armistice, business requires less cap- cake and the knife with which to ital investment in goods than used to be the case. One of the cut it. He marked for repeal and ATHEISM great mail-order houses last year reported an inventory of only added that he'd like to see a saloon \$77,000,000 as against \$121,000,000 in 1921, yet the total vol- on every corner. ume of business done on the smaller inventory was four times as great as when the larger stock was carried. Something like that is reflected in the records of every merchant who runs his business on an up-to-date basis today. Small stock, speedily replenished on hurry-up orders to manufacturers or jobbers, enable the retailer to make two to four times as many sales on the same amount of capital. He runs less risk of having money tied up in slow-moving goods, and by frequent reordering keeps his stock fresh and attractive, besides being ready to respond

instantly to any change in style or tastes. Because this system of retailing has become almost univer- particular, are great adherents to There have been many religious various states, including trucks, buss- one has to do to become a member sal, business credits were not materially curtailed even when the "cycle of three." And, as some wars in history, but always each side es and other commercial vehicles. The is to give a radio set to some "shutthe situation looked worst, and today are almost as free as they of the old timers say, why shouldn't has professed the fighting to be in average of passenger cars is about in" invalid or prisoner and send his Class of 1929 come to the rescue, not have ever been. The trend of wages is still upward, unem- they be. Time and again they have the name of its own God. The organ one car to every one and one-half name to Mr. Mills. ployment is diminishing, and the general public will soon be, if it is not already, in better buying position than ever.

KEEP UP THE GOOD ROADS PROGRAM

This is the time of the year when the man with an automobile wishes he had a horse or a good team of mules whenever on Tuesday. The firemen were all he turns off the main paved roads. We have gone a long way since George Washington's time, when it took him two weeks to get from the national capital, then in New York, to his home in Virginia, on account of the bad condition of the roads. The reason why our national Constitution provides that Presidents and Members of Congress elected in November do not take office until the following March is that it was figured it would take all that time for them to get to the capital, especially if new

states were created west of the Ohio river! One of the first acts of Thomas Jefferson's administration "Do you know a girl who looks like was to inaugurate a system of national paved highways. But the this?" railroad was invented along in the 1820's, and road-building began to languish; the railroad was going to take its place. Our "NO." And one might add, and be fathers, grandfathers and great-grandfathers continued to pull along in the mud until the automobile made better roads imperative. The past fifteen years have seen road-building develop into one of the nations major industries, and this year's pro-

gram is vaster than any that have gone before. The good work should not stop until every farm home in Herbert Hoover as president of the the nation has a paved motor road passing its gate. Already United States. And the odds are there is some idle talk to the effect that the airplane will make pretty enormous that at least 365 further extension of thorough motor roads unnecessary. No- times during the past year he has body takes that sort of talk very seriously as yet, but it may be- wished that he still had naught but come an argument in ten years or so against the appropriation the title of "Engineer." of further Federal funds for roadbuilding. That was what happened when the railroad came in, but we know more than our ancestors did and probably will not be folled as they were.

TRIAL BY JURY

A great deal of fuss is being stirred up in some quarters over what is represented as being an attempt to deprive American citizens of the right of trial by jury, in connection with the enforcement of the prohibition law.

The facts of the matter are that the National Commission on Law Enforcement and Observance, of which Hon. George W. Wickersham, former Attorney General of the United States, is chairman, in a report to President Hoover recommended that United States Commissioners be empowered to act as magistrates for the trial of minor infractions of the law, to relieve the pressure upon the Federal Courts. "We think it is possible to provide for a hearing ... before a magistrate, provided trial by jury ... is preserved to the accused," is the exact language of the report. Mr. Wickersham goes on to suggest that in cases where the accused pleads guilty no trial is necessary, and the Commissioner could save the Court's time by of the college professors and their fortune: it is a habit. And one of change for the time they took. reporting the fact to a qualified judge for sentence, and that where the plea is "not guilty" the Commissioner could hear the evidence and report the recommendation to the Court, "provided further that if conviction is recommended by the Commissioner, the accused may within three days after filing of the Commissioner's report...demand trial by jury."

Those are the recommendations which some of those who are opposed to the enforcement of prohibition are trying to twist into an effort to do away with trial by jury.

The situation which would be created would be simply extending to the Federal courts the practice which prevails in all ington College English Department state and local judicial systems. Comparatively few persons accused of misdemeanors under State laws ever get a jury trial. It is their right to demand it, but how often do they avail themselves of that right? Did anyone ever hear of a jury trial for a simple violation of the automobile speed laws, for example, or for fishing without a license? Yet everybody charged with 1." any such minor offense could ask for and have a jury trial if he insisted upon it.

After reading the news dispatches from Chicago, U.S. A., the people of Chicago, South Australia, voted to change the name of their town to Booth, after the founder of the Salvation Army. It that doesn't make Chicago ashamed of itself, Chicago, Kentucky, might threaten to change its name to King George and see if that will have any effect.

# The Lancer

Harry S. Russell ----

Tomorrow, Thursday, if things go as predicted, may be remembered as "Red Thursday" in the United States. Secret Service men have uncovered what they say is a nation-wide plot for a "red" demonstration tomorrow, March 6. I Chestertown 19 haven't been able to acertain why March 6 was favored but just to be in tune with the happenings I am using the red part of my typewriter ribbon to set this down.

If we are to believe our Secret Service men these minor "red" riots and demonstrations of the past few weeks were merely rehearsals. The big show will get started on the morrow.

Sad as it may seem it is not likely that there will be any demonstration here. And if there were and the shout of "Red" hit the air red, who is seeking town council

Take for instance the Literary Digest Poll on Prohibition. If all will end in a triple deadlock. (Note:

One voter in the poll, and I saw was in favor of light wines and

Number three, however, took the

I am not superstituous. But as a

Firemen, local smoke-eaters in churches. Robinson in Sengalese.

Friday, a fire on Sunday and a fire set for the Tuesday blaze. They knew it was coming.

Life, the funny magazine, is featuring front covers by different artists in which the artist depicts his The query under the latest is:

And the answer I am told is justified, "If I did I'd shoot her."

Yesterday was March 4 and marked the first anniversary of

In Detroit five couples have been dancing for 107 days. They are tally and physically. Authorities have been unable to stop the dance because of some legal technicality. These five couples should team up the work of the orchestra in its Just a Little Late Club. out stopping.

This is one of the current "stewdent" stories. It indicates a sure way to differentiate between some students. If you can't tell which is whom just ask for a definition of "IT." If the answer comes back. "It is a pronoun"—then he's a pro-

they use to tell a few years back. It seems that the head of the Washand one of his worst students met on the way to the Gate tended by St. Peter. The professor, naturally,

was the first to knock. The query came, "Who is there?" The professor answered, "It is

St. Peter came back with, "Down stairs for you. We have more English teachers now then we can use." The student knocked. "Who is Bennett. there" came from inside the gate. "It's me," answered the student. "Come in," was the invitation of St. Peter. "You were a member of Stam's Hall, Saturday, March 12. that bird's English class and you had your Hell on earth."

#### A Pictorial Editorial

AND THE DE ON TEN ON IL COM MUSIC PUBLISHERS

IC YOU believe the Composer, Artist and Author is entitled If to have his rights properly safe-guarded, write to your Senators and Congressman urging them to support this measure. You will help greatly to promote creative work By Albert T. Reid

In the creations of the . Author, Artist, and Composer, the public finds its entertainment, information and education.

These Creations represent property to those who produce them.

A Vast Industry, repre-1 Senting a turn over of more than a billion dollars annually is the direct outgrowth of this creative work,the printing and publishing business, music, the radio, and the movies

This great business . I gives employment to hundreds of thousands of people, and yet the rights of those upon whose work this industry depends are inadequately protected under our antiquated Copyright law.

bill designed to set out these property rights and protect the rights of those who compose and create, is now before Congress.

If passed it will do much to stimulate these arts in our country and the public will bene

AUTOCASTER

### TODAY and TOMORROW

The Russian government's war and to be informed about the state decided he wanted to do some good still exists and specializes in editoragainst religion may prove the spur and local game laws. Any state game with his money. He gave a radio ials and letters, not only to Shore need to unite all Christianity into warden can give full information set to a crippled woman in the vil-papers but to Baltimore news sheets, making common cause against the en- about the Federal game laws, also. lage. She got so much pleasure out is unquestionable. emies of God. Incredible as it sounds, Unless they as well as state laws are of it that he gave some more radio the armed and disciplined minority enforced there will soon be no game sets to shut-ins. He go so much fun member of the Chestertown Vol- which controls Russia has prohibited left to hunt.

unteer Fire Company I am a be- religious teaching and preaching, is liever in the "cycle of three." In seizing churches and converting them CARS plainer words I believe that where into museums and factories, is killing

had two fires in a period of a day of this anti-religious movement in families. It happened this week. A fire on all religion and destroy all faith.

A Boston man went hunting in Maine. He shot ninety ducks. The GIVING other day he paid \$2,700 for them in Two brothers named Mills started Nightingale, Queen Victoria, Susan B. (that is not meant as a knock) but idea of the typical American Girl. the United States Court. Thirty dol- a country weekly newspaper in Sodus, Anthony. lars a duck. That is the fine imposed N. Y., about thirty years ago. They It is an interesting game, and (But aren't we all?) On the second

states, to take out a shooting license | G. R. Mills, one of the brothers, the pure undiluted strain of Noddian

or so and then the third comes roll- Russia is a newspaper published in It will not be long before there GREATNESS ing along before you can say Jack | Moscaw called "The Godless One." | will be as many passenger cars as The avowed purpose is to stamp out there are families, and a high per-

> look forward to the day when no-led these: body will walk except for exercise.

by the Federal government for killing got into other enterprises, including proves nothing. The greatest men occasion when I faced that motto I eider ducks, for which there is no electric light and power companies. and women who ever lived are probable began to think of the word "become" Too few hunters are informed of cently for several million dollars. But discovered how to make a fire and up in my hard-worked dictionary, I the Federal game laws which protect they still own and run the Sodus the woman who first cooked a rabbit find the first meaning is given to acmigratory birds. Before going out Record, still live in the little country over the fire certainly started somewith a gun one is required, in most town where they were born.

out of that that he told other men of | Last Saturday afternoon the town means about it and they began giving looked like a beehive on a warm away radio sets. Out of that has spring day with the crowds that came grown the "We Follow Him" club in for the military wedding, the to-

By Frank P. Stockbridge

There are approximately twenty- with members all over the United mato meeting and the movie mat. there are two there are bound to missionaries and confiscating the seven million families in the United States. Thousands of radios have More like New York every day seems property of farmers who support the States. There are about twenty-two been given to hospitals, to charitable to be our slogan! million automobiles registered in the institutions and to prisoners. All any-

centage of all families will own two nights ago at which those present which thou art." I have faced that Unless Christianity is to confess cars. Little cars weighing only half were asked to decide who were the motto for two whole evenings and failure, a greater war than the world as much as a Ford and costing a five greatest men and the five great- find it distracting. The first time I has ever seen is inevitable. It will be third less will be on the American est women of all time. Several per- saw but one interpretation and that, the war of all Christendom against market this year. More paved roads sons offered lists of names and the to use the vernacular, is "Be Yourthe Godless rulers of Soviet Russia. | will tend to multiply cars. | We can | prize was given to the one who nam- | self." But that does not satisfy me.

## By Bruce Barton

THE WAY OF LIFE THE 'JUST A LITTLE LATE CLUB' the most exasperating habits in the "It is not necessary for me to live," the y should grace their trade. Please,

When I was a commuter I some- world. for the trains.

practically dead spiritually, men- frequent visitors to the city, who arrived long before train-time. There were business men, who arrived one minute ahead.

And—just as the gate was about with the orchestra that plays for to slam—there would come piling the dances at the country club. If | across the station the members of the

ates who had missed a car or lost would be late." their watches.

knew different.

times went to the station early to I was lunching with a friend the I be at a certain point at a certain watch the other commuters running other day when a "captain of indus- time." try" passed us. He began work I came to know many of them by twenty years ago as an office-boy, my success in life to having been a Islands is an apt name for oleo proand today heads one of the great There were ladies and old men, in- manufacturing concerns of his city.

"A wonderful fellow," said my friend. "Last year I had a long series of negotiations with him about the necessary for us to meet practically every day for nearly three months. appearance here means any thing I used to sympathize with them at utes. And each time he sent word to what to expect.

But after two years of watching I hour of his time was worth \$1,000, not be.

said Pompey, "But it is necessary that

quarter of an hour before my time." ducts. The coconut cow has been ous men, in the faint hope that it may but with the price of butter and oleo

In all that time he was never late but side when the pearly gates are closed fore the public it is amazing that so twice, and then only for a few min- on the judgment-day, I shall know many people forget that children need

and he had no patience with men who When the gates swing open again, has only one chance to build up a fine The membership of the Just a Lit- were late for appointments, or who, there will be-some of the most lov- strong body and that is NOW. tle Late Club does not change from when they came to see him, did not able and exasperating people who evday to day. Membership is not a mis- give him his money's worth in ex- er lived—panting, apologetic, explan-

#### TWENTY YEARS AGO IN THE ENTERPRISE

MARCH 2, 1910 A new summer amusement park to the use of the college proper. Governor Crothers on Wednesday be known as Dreamland Park, is to be last made the following appointments opened near Betterton this summer. for Kent County:

Severson, Lewin S. Fowler, Abram selves of a great germ breeder. S. Crawford, J. Cordray Loud, Frank . Wilkins, William Wagner.

Coroner-John H. Greenwood. School Commissioner—John

club, will give a minstrel show Wheat \$1.26. Corn 66 cents.

Wallis, James M. Sutton, James M. this the Millingtonians have rid them-

March 19th.

At a special meeting of the Board of Visitors and Governors of Washington College held one day last week The Chestertown Stars, a baseball it was voted that the Normal Departin ment at this institution be abolished provided that the state appropriation A heavy rain and severe electrical they serve. They cook and serve and now received for this department storm visited this section on Monday how! And how you will eat. You could be retailed and continued for night.

tained a picture of Captain W. Urie were laid end to end it would be-a Justices of the Peace—Geo. C. The taxpayers of Millington have Cross of the Washington College good thing. Townsend, Lawrence R. VanSant, voted against allowing hog pens with- baseball club. Twenty four candi-David R. Nickerson, Samuel W. in the limits of the town. In doing dates reported to Captain Cross and Some member of St. Paul's Church were given a long talk by Athletic told me I had never written up a St. Director M. J. Thompson.

Farmer's Institutes will be held in ger Edward Crouch. 1910, of Elkton, Notary Public-Charles Estes, Jes- Chestertown on Friday, March 18th, is now in the hands of the athletic se E. Ireland, and Simon H. McCau- and at Kennedyville on Saturday, committee and will be ready for publication soon.

> The Chestertown High School closed until next week because

OUT OF THE FRYING PAN

Since it is only people like Dr. Cook of North-pole fame who brag of their discoveries I hope to refrain from any such spirit although I do feel that I have made an important discovery and one that has puzzled the human race since the expulsion from the Garden of Eden. The legend goes, of course you know, that after Adam and Eve were exiled from their first home they set out in search for that part of the world that most closely resembled the old homestead. After many trials and tribulations they found what is now called Kent County, Maryland, took up their abode and lived happily ever after except for the usual sort of domestic troubles that all married couples experience. At any rate they never even seemed to have thought of the divorce court. Then, if you recall the account, Cain got married. He went into the Land of Nod and took unto himself a wife. So far as I know, the Land of Nod has never been located until just now so perhaps I may be called the discoverer of that Land of Nod. The Bible says it was East of Eden. Making allowances for erosion and all that sort of thing throughout the centuries, it is quite likely it was East, in fact, Kent Countians still have to start East to reach it although, to be exact, the Land of Nod is more South of the new Eden, Kent County, than it is East. Since the Bay Bridge question has been taking on a new lease of life and the talk of the State sponsoring it as a vital link of the state roads system, connecting the splendid roads of the Eastern and Western Shores, a number of editorials have appeared in papers which are published south of us, on the Shore, that point conclusively to the fact that their authors, still live in the Land of Nod. It should, of course, be understood that many newcomers have come into that section—furriners—but that

Will some member of the high school faculty or a member of the only of myself, but of several other Chestertown people who are trying to get the correct interpretation of I attended a social gathering a few the 1929 class motto: "Become that Greatest men: Buddha, Julius day that I was yesterday and which Caesar, St. Paul, Charles Darwin and of the two is myself? Another per-Karl Marx. Greatest women: Joan son brought out the point that high of Arc, Queen Elizabeth, Florence school graduates are not anything are still in the formative period. They sold their power interests re- bly unknown to history. The man who as having two meanings. Looking it | cord with the second: "To set off: thing which changed the whole world. grace" and the third: "Come about" or come to be. I am inclined then to translate it as meaning one should grace that which he is: if they are teachers, doctors, lawyers or what have you they should grace their profession; if plumbers, merchants, etc., too deep for me altogether.

And Lord Nelson said: "I owe all The coconut cow of the South Sea I hold up the record of these fam- locking horns with our Aldernys, Jer-And yet, th hope is very faint. about the same and the food value of butter being what it is, it would seem formation of a new company. It was The habit of unpromptnes is very as though the four-legged cows held the trumps. With all that has been If I am fortunate enough to be in- written on the subject and placed bebutter. It is a false economy to let it could easily play 107 days with- first, supposing them to be unfortun- me from his office telling me that he Five minutes later there will be a a youngster go to the movies and terrific battering on the gate. St. save on the butter item in your bud-J. P. Morgan figured that every Peter may be surprised, but I shall get. The youngster can see movies throughout the rest of his life but he

Pictures of before and after are always interesting. If you have any snaps of roads before and after they were hard-surfaced the Kent County Chamber of Commerce would appreciate your sending them in to their headquarters along with any stories of human interest you may have in the same line.

It might be said of columnists as The Baltimore Sun of Sunday con- of after-dinner speakers, that if they

Paul's banquet—or rather one where The schedule arranged by Mana- they had served. After eating the one last week at the Calf Club affair. I realize why I have refrained from doing it. I don't claim to be a master of words, I have only an unabridged dictionary and there aren't enough words in the English language is to describe the cooking of that St. Paul crowd. But if you want something delicious, even if words fail to describe it, get in on the next dinner

couldn't help it. Its 100% plus.